

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A silver halide industrial radiographic material comprising on at least one side of a support a hydrophilic gelatinous non-spectrally sensitized radiation-sensitive emulsion layer, having grains, coated in a total amount in the range from 6 to 20 g, expressed as an equivalent amount of silver nitrate per square meter, and at least one non-radiation sensitive protective gelatinous antistress overcoat layer thereupon, wherein a ratio of gelatin to silver, expressed as silver nitrate, in the said radiation sensitive layer is at least 0.70, wherein said gelatinous layers are hardened by a gelatin cross-linking agent in an amount in order to have a dissolving time of at least 40 minutes, said time being measured as time starting when immersing the material in an aqueous solution (1.5 % by weight) of sodium hydroxide at 50 °C until the moment that the base becomes visible, characterized in that in the said hydrophilic gelatinous layer arrangement a hydrophilic polymer differing from gelatin is present in an amount of at least 1 g per m².

- 2.(original) Material according to claim 1, wherein as gelatin cross-linking agent a vinyl sulfonyl hardening agent is present.
- 3.(original) Material according to claim 2, wherein said vinyl sulfonyl hardening agent is bis-(vinyl-sulfonyl)-methane, present in an amount of at least 150 mg per m² and per side of the said material.
- 4.(original) Material according to claim 1, wherein said hydrophilic polymer is selected from the group consisting of polysaccharides and polyacrylamides, having an average molecular weight of less than 100000.
- 5.(original) Material according to claim 2, wherein said hydrophilic polymer is selected from the group consisting of polysaccharides and polyacrylamides, having an average molecular weight of less than 100000.
- 6.(original) Material according to claim 3, wherein said hydrophilic polymer is selected from the group consisting of polysaccharides and polyacrylamides, having an average molecular weight of less than 100000.

- 7.(original) Material according to claim 1, wherein said hydrophilic polymer is present in a weight ratio versus gelatin in the range from 1:10 to 1:2.
- 8.(original) Material according to claim 2, wherein said hydrophilic polymer is present in a weight ratio versus gelatin in the range from 1:10 to 1:2.
- 9.(original) Material according to claim 3, wherein said hydrophilic polymer is present in a weight ratio versus gelatin in the range from 1:10 to 1:2.
- 10.(original) Material according to claim 4, wherein said hydrophilic polymer is present in a weight ratio versus gelatin in the range from 1:10 to 1:2.
- 11.(original) Material according to claim 5, wherein said hydrophilic polymer is present in a weight ratio versus gelatin in the range from 1:10 to 1:2.
- 12.(original) Material according to claim 6, wherein said hydrophilic polymer is present in a weight ratio versus gelatin in the range from 1:10 to 1:2.
- 13.(original) Material according to claim 4, wherein said polysaccharide is dextran, having a molecular weight in the range from 1000 to less than 40000.

- 14.(original) Material according to claim 5, wherein said polysaccharide is dextran, having a molecular weight in the range from 1000 to less than 40000.
- 15.(original) Material according to claim 6, wherein said polysaccharide is dextran, having a molecular weight in the range from 1000 to less than 40000.
- 16.(original) Material according to claim 7, wherein said polysaccharide is dextran, having a molecular weight in the range from 1000 to less than 40000.
- 17.(original) Material according to claim 8, wherein said polysaccharide is dextran, having a molecular weight in the range from 1000 to less than 40000.
- 18.(original) Material according to claim 9, wherein said polysaccharide is dextran, having a molecular weight in the range from 1000 to less than 40000.
- 19.(original) Material according to claim 10, wherein said polysaccharide is dextran, having a molecular weight in the range from 1000 to less than 40000.
- 20.(original) Material according to claim 11, wherein said polysaccharide is dextran, having a molecular weight in the range from 1000 to less than 40000.

- 21.(original) Material according to claim 12, wherein said polysaccharide is dextran, having a molecular weight in the range from 1000 to less than 40000.
- 22.(original) Material according to claim 1, wherein said grains are grains or crystals, rich in silver bromide, having an average equivalent volume diameter of at least 0.40 μm .
- 23.(original) Material according to claim 4, wherein said grains are grains or crystals, rich in silver bromide, having an average equivalent volume diameter of at least 0.40 μm .
- 24.(original) Material according to claim 7, wherein said grains are grains or crystals, rich in silver bromide, having an average equivalent volume diameter of at least 0.40 μm .
- 25.(original) Material according to claim 13, wherein said grains are grains or crystals, rich in silver bromide, having an average equivalent volume diameter of at least 0.40 μm .
- 26.(canceled)

- 27.(original) Material according to claim 22, wherein said grains rich in silver bromide have iodide in an amount of less than 3 mole %, based on silver.
- 28.(original) Material according to claim 23, wherein said grains rich in silver bromide have iodide in an amount of less than 3 mole %, based on silver.
- 29.(original) Material according to claim 24, wherein said grains rich in silver bromide have iodide in an amount of less than 3 mole %, based on silver.
- 30.(original) Material according to claim 25, wherein said grains rich in silver bromide have iodide in an amount of less than 3 mole %, based on silver.
- 31.(canceled)
- 32.(original) Material according to claim 1, wherein said material is a double-side coated material.
- 33.(original) Material according to claim 2, wherein said material is a double-side coated material.
- 34.(original) Material according to claim 3, wherein said material is a double-side coated material.
- 35.(original) Material according to claim 4, wherein said material is a double-side coated material.

- 36.(original) Material according to claim 7, wherein said material is a double-side coated material.
- 37.(original) Material according to claim 13, wherein said material is a double-side coated material.
- 38.(original) Material according to claim 22, wherein said material is a double-side coated material.
- 39.(original) Material according to claim 27, wherein said material is a double-side coated material.
- 40.(original) Method of processing a material according to claim 1, wherein said material, after having been exposed to X-rays having an energy in the range from 10 keV to 4 MeV, is processed by the steps of developing, fixing, rinsing and drying, wherein said processing proceeds within a time of less than 5 minutes dry-to-dry.
- 41.(original) Method of processing a material according to claim 2, wherein said material, after having been exposed to X-rays having an energy in the range from 10 keV to 4 MeV, is processed by the steps of developing, fixing, rinsing and drying, wherein said processing proceeds within a time of less than 5 minutes dry-to-dry.

- 42.(original) Method of processing a material according to claim 3, wherein said material, after having been exposed to X-rays having an energy in the range from 10 keV to 4 MeV, is processed by the steps of developing, fixing, rinsing and drying, wherein said processing proceeds within a time of less than 5 minutes dry-to-dry.
- 43.(original) Method of processing a material according to claim 4, wherein said material, after having been exposed to X-rays having an energy in the range from 10 keV to 4 MeV, is processed by the steps of developing, fixing, rinsing and drying, wherein said processing proceeds within a time of less than 5 minutes dry-to-dry.
- 44.(original) Method of processing a material according to claim 7, wherein said material, after having been exposed to X-rays having an energy in the range from 10 keV to 4 MeV, is processed by the steps of developing, fixing, rinsing and drying, wherein said processing proceeds within a time of less than 5 minutes dry-to-dry.
- 45.(original) Method of processing a material according to claim 13, wherein said material, after having been exposed to X-rays having an energy in the range from 10 keV to 4

MeV, is processed by the steps of developing, fixing, rinsing and drying, wherein said processing proceeds within a time of less than 5 minutes dry-to-dry.

46.(original) Method of processing a material according to claim 22, wherein said material, after having been exposed to X-rays having an energy in the range from 10 keV to 4 MeV, is processed by the steps of developing, fixing, rinsing and drying, wherein said processing proceeds within a time of less than 5 minutes dry-to-dry.

47.(original) Method of processing a material according to claim 27, wherein said material, after having been exposed to X-rays having an energy in the range from 10 keV to 4 MeV, is processed by the steps of developing, fixing, rinsing and drying, wherein said processing proceeds within a time of less than 5 minutes dry-to-dry.

48.(original) Method of processing a material according to claim 32, wherein said material, after having been exposed to X-rays having an energy in the range from 10 keV to 4 MeV, is processed by the steps of developing, fixing, rinsing and drying, wherein said processing proceeds within a time of less than 5 minutes dry-to-dry.